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SUBJECT: PAKISTANI-IRAQI RELATIONS

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1. PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR TOLD ME AUGUST 30 THAT RELATIONS WITH IRAQ WERE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED. PRESIDENT BAKR HAD PERSONALLY APOLOGIZED FOR GUN RUNNING ACTIVITY AND ASSURED HIM THAT ALL OTHER ANTI-PAKISTANI ACTIVITY WOULD BE STOPPED.

2. AMBASSADOR SAID, IN SPITE OF THIS, REMAINING SERIOUS PROBLEM IS THAT IRAQ IS CENTER OF BALUCHISTAN SEPARATIST ACTIVITY, INCLUDING OCCASIONAL NEWSPAPER. IRAQIS ACKNOWLEDGE THIS BUT CLAIM IT IS NOT DIRECTED AT PAKISTAN BUT AT IRAN. AMBASSADOR SAID HE HAD POINTED OUT THAT SUCH DISTINCTION WAS IMPOSSIBLE. HE HAS IMPRESSION, HOWEVER, THAT UNTIL IRAN CEASES MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO KURDISH DISSIDENT MOVEMENT, IRAQ WILL NOT CEASE BALUCHI ACTIVITY.

3. AMBASSADOR SAID HE SUSPECTED THAT RAPID IRAQI RECOGNITION OF DAUD GOVERNMENT IN AFGHANISTAN WAS IN SAME CATEGORY AS
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IRAQI RECOGNITION OF BANGLADESH; I.E. SOVIET INSTIGATED.

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